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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.143 INCLUDING PROVISIONAL ELECTION WITHOUT TRAVERSE

Responsive to the Office Action mailed June 1, 2009, Applicants elect the invention of Group III (claims 46–53) drawn to an electrochemical detection method for detecting a polynucleotide using a complementary polynucleotide. The election is made <u>without traverse</u>.

Applicant makes the instant election for the purposes of expediting prosecution only and not for the purposes of acknowledging the propriety of the restriction.

No fees are believed owing with this filing, other than the extension of time fee, separately authorized herewith. Should the Commissioner determine otherwise, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Applicant's Deposit Account No. 06-1050 (Ref. 19662-0033US1) for any charges or credits.

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